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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Only a little over 2 1/2 months before Atlantic Rarities Coin Exposition May 15, 16 and 17, 1998, at the Baltimore Convention Center. We are going to need help setting up tables and equipment on the 1 th and public registration on all three days. The M.S.N.A. will pay for parking if you volunteer for four or more hours.

The 1997 M.S.N.A. Show was a success and all the volunteers made it possible. We were able to to donate money to Baltimore Association for Retarded Citizens, the Gallagler Center and the John Hopkins Children's Cancer Fund.

The BANC show, held at the Towson Holiday Inn, 1100 Cromwell Bridge Road, on February 22, 1998 was a success. I would like to thank all club members of the M.S.N.A. that supported this show.

Again, please consider volunteering, you will be pleasantly surprised how many nice folks you will meet that are Numismatists.

Bill Stratemeyer

Bill Stratemeyer

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The Board of the Maryland State Numismatic Association met on Monday, December 8th, 1997, at the Grace United Methodist Church. In attendance were:

Bill Stratemeyer -Pres	Jack Pryor - Past Pres
Don Curtis - Vice Pres	Ernie Turnes - Past Pres
Joyce Doxzon-Secretary	Tom Palmer -Bowie Coin Cl
Karl Keller -Treasurer	Pete Burris-Baltimore C C
Bill Ayres - Past Pres	Joe Mashinski- Perry Hall
Bill Lenz - Harf Coin Huskers	

Secretary Doxzon read the minutes of the September 25th meeting. Treasurer Keller read his report of MSNA accounts. A final accounting on the 1996 and 1997 A R C E profits was requested from past treasurer Mashinski.

A list of A R C E workers who had not gotten their silver eagle coins was distributed; arrangements were made for these people to get their deserved coins.

Charitable donations were slated to be made early next year. Recipients will be the Baltimore Association for Retarded Citizens & to the Johns Hopkins Children's Cancer Fund.

Tom Palmer said that the MSNA World Wide Web page is done. It has web browser links to the ARCE bourse application and to three member clubs that have their own web pages. Secretary Doxzon was asked to draft a letter soliciting other MSNA member clubs for their own web pages, if applicable. Tom also reported that nearly forty completed bourse applications for the 1998 ARCE were already on hand; there was some ensuing discussion about where applications could next be distributed.

Bill Lenz has investigated using some hotels near BWI airport as lodging for the 1998 ARCE dealers; only a small number of rooms at the downtown Sheraton Hotel are blocked for the show.

The speakers for the 1998 ARCE Educational Forum are ANA Vice President Scott Travers and U. S. Mint Director Philip Diehl; an awards breakfast speaker is still needed. The speakers' dinner has already been reserved.

1998 ARCE advertising is in place for the FUN Convention issues of FUNTopics, Numismatic News and Coin World. A public information handout flyer is yet to be prepared.

A motion was made and approved to distribute fifteen 1997 ARCE encased cents to each member club. Some 1998 A R C E wooden nickels will also go to the member clubs for them to distribute. The 1998 elongateds are yet to be procured. MSNA will promote sales of the 1997 Baltimore Bicentennial "birthday cake" design elongated cents.

Ernie Turnes proposed an award for the best new exhibit at each ARCE with the type of award left to the discretion of the exhibits chairman.

The Maryland Token and Medal Society has requested meeting space at the 1998 ARCE on Saturday, May 16, '98 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

There was some discussion of the '99 show dates to be avoided because of clashes with other scheduled coin shows; the available dates at the Baltimore Convention Center will be checked. A possible international paper money show for Baltimore in '99 would likely be tied to a New York City coin show held two weeks before or after ours.

MSNA Board Meeting: 8 December 1997. (cont)

The MSNA board approved life memberships for Carol Pryor and Bill Stratemeyer. A nominating committee of Joe Mashinski, Pete Burris and Bill Ayres was appointed.

There was discussion of getting MSNA dress jackets including issues of material, color, quantity, wearer eligibility and cost to MSNA vs the jacket wearer. Bill Stratemeyer will contact jacket makers & bring back to the board some proposals. The board endorsed the idea of getting the jackets.

Bill Stratemeyer expressed his thanks to MSNA for the Baltimore Bicentennial History book presented to him at the fall seminar, where he was a speaker.

The next board meeting was set for Thursday, Jan 22 1998 at 7:00 pm.

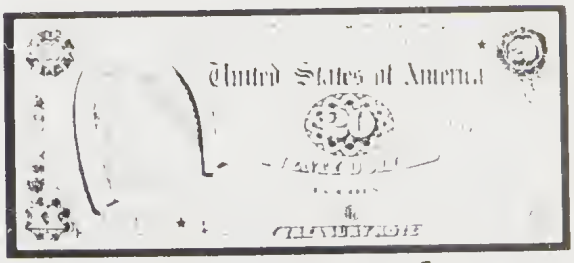
Respectfully Submitted

Bryce Doxzon

Bryce Doxzon
Secretary

The 1998 Telephone Card of the MSNA consists of a modified version of a 1890 $20.00 Treasury Note. 100 made. Available from: Ed Craig Box 6533, Sparrows Point, Md, 21219. $10.00 each.

ATLANTIC RARITIES COIN EXPO



BALTIMORE CONVENTION CENTER
MAY 14TH - 17TH 1998

MARYLAND STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, INC.
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The Board of the Maryland State Numismatic Association met on Thursday, January 22nd 1998 at 7:30 p. m. at the Grace United Methodist Church in Baltimore. In attendance were:

Bill Stratemeyer- Pres	Millard Hajek - Catons CC
Bryce Doxzon-Secretary	Bob Ruby - A P L Labs
Karl Keller -Treasurer	Tom Palmer -Bowie Coin Cl
Bill Ayres - Past Pres	Pete Burris-Baltimore C C
Jack Pryor - Past Pres	Joe Mashinski- Perry Hall
Ernie Turnes-Past Pres	Tony Saladino- Middle Riv
Ed Craig -M D T A M S	Walt Kitner-Baltimore C C
Bill Lenz - Harford Coin Huskers	

Secretary Doxzon read the minutes of the December 8th meeting. Treasurer Keller read his report on the M S N A account balances. Past Treasurer Mashinski read his report on the combined accountings on the 1996 and 1997 ARCE shows; following his report, the board voted to donate $1000. to the ANA.

A R C E bourse chairman Tom Palmer reported fifty table sales for the 1998 ARCE. He also reported that Heritage Rare Coin Galleries wants to explore having an auction here. The board also appointed Tom Palmer & Bill Lenz to negotiate with Heritage if they choose to have an auction in Baltimore.

Hotel room space for the 1998 A R C E has been arranged at the Comfort Suites & Amerisuites hotels near B.W.I. Airport.

The Baltimore Convention Center has dates of May 13-16 or June 10-13,'99 available for MSNA to schedule the next ARCE. These dates have already been checked against other coin shows. Bill Stratemeyer will talk

with Tony Pisciotta to determine the likelihood of having a future international paper money show in Baltimore.

Plenty of raffle tickets are available; many have been allotted for sale at Gordon Berg's next show. Twenty five tickets each will be sent to member clubs for them to sell; each club need only return $20.00 in sales to MSNA.

Bob Ruby is at work on the A R C E show flier. He talked about a World Wide Web-site that lists coin shows. The board voted to advertise the ARCE on that web-site. In a related matter, the MSNA web site is expected to be up and running in a week.

Millard Hajek now has the ARCE show banner & will work on changing the show dates to the correct 1998 dates. He displayed two postal cancel designs; one was chosen for use with the 1998 ARCE. He also reported the arrival of the first batch of elongated cents. The board voted to create a Type 2 variety & have a second batch of new variety elongateds made.

Ernie Turnes mentioned that press releases have gone out promoting Mint Director Philip Diehl's appearance and the 1998 wooden nickels. A letter has also gone out to clubs soliciting meetings during the ARCE Exhibit applications are ready to be mailed & election ballots will be made up and sent out by April. Despite increased listing costs the board chose to have the 1999 ARCE listed in next year's Maryland Calendar of Events.

There was further discussion about M S N A dress jackets with the point being raised that uniform makers could also make the jackets. Some of these companies will be investigated for this purpose.

MSNA Board Meeting: 22 January 1998. (cont)

The Baltimore Association for Retarded Citizens, the Gallagher Center and The Johns Hopkins Children's Cancer Fund have all sent letter of thanks for our donations to each organization.

Karl Keller noted that he is purchasing storage boxes for better holding of the John B. Henry Collection.

The MSNA board approved life memberships for G. Fred Miller, Harry Whitsel, Richard Posinski, Larry Gentile, Millard Hajek, Albert Marecki and Carl Neeley.

The next board meeting was set for Thursday, February 26, 1998 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Bryce Doxzon

Bryce Doxzon
Secretary

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The Board of the Maryland State Numismatic Association met on Thursday, February 26th, 1998 at 7: 0 p. m. at the Grace United Methodist Church in Baltimore. In attendance were:

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Bill Lenz - Harford Coin Huskers	

Secretary Doxzon read the minutes of the January 22, 1998 meeting. Treasurer Keller read his report on the M S N A account balances. The $1,000 donation made to the ANA last month was applied toward an outstanding invoice for advertising; the board approved a second $1,000 donation.

ARCE bourse chairman Tom Palmer has a rough bourse layout made. He will be talking to Ruthann Brettell about getting late committing dealers to sign up for the 1998 ARCE and about helping MSNA sign up dealers at eh ANA Early Spring Show in Cincinnati. He has not heard back from Heritage regarding an auction.

Bill Lenz reported that the security contract is unchanged from last year & that Dan Coker will be the cases and lights supplier. Room reservations are still very limited in town; rooms for the 1998 ARCE are available at the Comfort Suites and Amerisuites hotels near B W I Airport. He noted that Selby Unger has offered to make a very limited number of A R C E phone cards; the offer will be checked on further. Rooms at

the Baltimore Convention Center will be available for meetings and an auction, should there be one. The Convention Center has a hold on May 13-16 and June 10-13 for our use but any conflicts with major coin shows on those dates must be investigated.

Exhibits Chairman, Walt Kitner has gotten out the exhibit applications. Repeating exhibits will only be elibible for an appreciation award. The new exhibitor award will be introduced this year & the award winners will be announced on the public address system on the shows last day.

Larger signs will be needed for the pre-registration area noted chairman, Don Curtis. He also inquired about equipment and manpower availability for dealers pre-registration. He is compiling a checklist of duties for MSNA/ARCE officers and committee chairmen and he advised that MSNA offer itself as an advisory agency on the design of the quarter promoting Maryland statehood, potentially offering a prize for the winning design.

ARCE early-bird bourse dealers will be charged $50 each, whether visiting the A R C E for one day or all three. A portion of such proceeds will go to charity.

A speaker is still being solicited for the awards breakfast. With the Sheraton Hotel breakfast being very expensive other places for the awards breakfast are being sought.

Millard Hajek has updated the show banner; it is now in Pete Burris' hands for him to deliver to the Baltimore City agency that hangs it over Pratt Street. The Post Office will be contacted about creating a show cancellation and having a booth at the ARCE. Coin World

and Numismatic News will be invited to lhave tables at ARCE.

Ernie Turnes noted the good amount of numismatic press devoted to the MSNA souvenirs. He said that Bob Ruby is making up signs to point people to the show & that Charles Melchior is helping Larry Gentile with the YN program.

Raffle ticket sales have been strong so far; more tickets will be allotted for sale at the next Gordon Berg coin show.

The A R C E flier mailing party will be set for either April 18 or 25, 1998. Dan Coker's mailing list will not be purchased this year.

After brief discussion it was settled that new membership applications will go to Bob Ruby and Karl Keller, with the applications finally staying in Keller's possession.

After noting that Montgomery County Coin Club's dues were unpaid for 1997 and 1998 the board voted to apply the club's A R C E help award check against it's two years' dues.

Bill Ayres has received some additional John B. Henry collection material & is updating the inventory. Further information on M S N A jackets awaits an offer from a uniform maker.

Bill Stratemeyer said that an international paper money show for 1999 will not occur, at this time. However, with the assistance of Bill Lenz and Tom Palmer, he will continue talks with dealer Tony Pisciotta about such a show in a further year.

Ed Craig mentioned the existence of a phone card

consideration the matter of having a token and medal section of bourse at a future ARCE.

The next board meeting was set for Thursday, Mar 26, 1998 at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted

Bryce Doxzon

Bryce Doxzon
Secretary

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SPARROWS POINT

Shown at right above are greatly reduced versions of the two sides of the 3" Bethlehem Steel Company medal described in detail by Ernie Turnes on page 22.

MARYLAND STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION
AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION
ATLANTIC RARITIES COIN EXPOSITION
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY May 14, 1998

1:00 P.M.	Dealer Registration opens - Charles Street Lobby.	Lobby
3:00 P.M.	Bourse opens to Dealers with tables and Exhibitors.	Hall D
7:00 P.M.	Dealer Registration and Bourse closes.	

FRIDAY, May 15, 1998

8:00 A.M.	Bourse opens to Dealers with tables and Exhibitors	Hall D
9:30 A.M.	Public Registration opens - Charles Street Lobby.	Lobby
10:00 A.M.	Bourse and Exhibits area open to public.	Hall D
6:30 P.M.	Admission to Bourse and Exhibit area ends.	
7:00 P.M.	Bourse and Exhibits close, area must be vacated.	

SATURDAY, May 16, 1998

8:00 A.M.	Bourse opens to Dealers with tables and Exhibitors.	Hall D
9:30 A.M.	Public Registration opens - Charles Street Lobby.	Lobby
10:00 A.M.	Bourse and Exhibits area open to public.	Hall D
	Young Numismatist Program begins.	Room 316
11:00 A.M.	MD TAMS Annual Meeting	Room 318
1:00 P.M.	Early American Coppers (EAC) meeting.	Room 319
1:00 P.M.	Ancient Numismatic Society of Washington featuring: *Alex Clain-Stefanelli*	Room 318
4:00 P.M.	Maryland State Numismatic Association Educational Forum - featuring: *Director of the Mint: Philip Diehl* *ANA Vice-President: Scott Travers*	Room 316
6:30 P.M.	Admission to Bourse and Exhibit area ends.	
7:00 P.M.	Bourse and Exhibits close, area must be vacated.	

SUNDAY, May 17, 1998

8:00 A.M.	Bourse opens to Dealers with tables.	Hall D
9:00 A.M.	Annual Awards Breakfast - featuring: *Burnett Anderson*	Room TBA
9:30 A.M.	Public Registration begins - Charles Street Lobby.	Lobby
10:00 A.M.	Bourse and Exhibits area open to public.	Hall D
2:00 P.M.	Maryland State Numismatic Association Annual Meeting.	Room 318
4:00 P.M.	*Gold Raffle Drawing*	Lobby
	Bourse and Exhibits close, area must be vacated. End of Show.	

All events take place in the Baltimore Convention Center.

ALPHABETICAL DEALER LISTING

As of (04/14/98)

Dealer Name	Table #
Adkins, Gary / MGS & NSI	556 & 606
Amey, David	308
ANACS	652
Angel Dee's	356
Astrich, Robert L.	104
Avena Rare Coin	204
Bach's Coin Box	351
Bay Coin & Stamp	209
Bird, Doug	201
Bud's Coins	159
Butternut	651
Carson City king	102
C. E. O. Coins	452
Chesapeake Bay Rare Coins	159
Claire's Corner	154
Classic Coin Co.	203
Cline, J. H.	504
Coins of the Realm, Inc.	309
Commercial Coin Co.	106
Dart Coin Co.	301
Delaware Valley Rare Coin	502 & 503
Fasano Brothers Rare Coins	456
Finck, Paul – Numismatist	307
Foster, Coleman	407 & 408
Franklin Investments	105
Free State Numismatics	404
Gaithersburg Coin Exchange	107 & 108
GES Numismatics	602
Golden Eagle Coins & Jewelry	353 & 354
Gotkin, David – World Coins	459
Davis, Charles	
Delphi / David Vagi	553
Hansen, Chris	357
Harlow, Robert – Rare Coins	259
Hart Rare Coins	158
Heritage	551 & 601
Iskowitz, Ron	403
Island Coins	451
JEL Coins	251
JJ Coins	453
JJ Teaparty, Inc.	453
Johnbrier, A. J.	151
Jones, Stuart	308
J. P. Coins	401
J. W. Co.	554
Kern, Jonathan	306
Keystone Coins	152 & 153
Kirtley, Charles	458
Kritt, Brian	553
Laibstain, Harry – Rare Coins	206
Lawrence, David – Rare Coins	256
LBP Numismatics	101
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Leone, Frank	258
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Maryland Coin Exchange	552
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Schuch, John L. – Rare Coins	506
Schweitz, David	557
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Zauche, Don	507

MSNA SOUVENIR CARDS

Each year, MSNA produces a souvenir card, the 1998 card depicts a "Political Satire" note that clearly demonstrates the continuing suspicion and fear of paper money by Americans during the latter part of the nineteenth century. They still remember the heavy losses due to inadequate financial backing as well as extensive counterfeiting during previous years. With the Federal Government continuing to issue large amounts of paper money, critics were increasingly strident in voicing their concerns about its stability. The producer of this note, whoever he might have been, was certainly no exception.

The cost of the souvenir card is 2 for $5.00 or $3.00 each. These cards may be purchased at the Convention Registration table during the show. Or, you may send a check to MSNA Souvenir Card, C/o William R. Ayres, Jr., P. O. Box 2, Fork, MD 21051. Please add .32 cents per card for postage.

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

2- 4 Oct: Annual Coin Show and Convention of the Virginia Numismatic Association. Northern Virginia Community College, R.J. Ernst Community Cultural Center 8333 Little River Turnpike (Capital Beltway Exit #6 West) Annandale Virginia.

-25 Oct: Fall Show of the ASSOCIATED COIN CLUBS Victory Villa Community Center; Martin Bvld and Compass Road,Middle River

7- 8 Nov: WESTERN MARYLAND COIN CLUB's Fall Show, LaVale Fire Hall,

12-15 Nov: Surburban Washington/Baltimore Show Convention Center, Balto.

1999

-13 Mar: Associated Coin Clubs: Victory Villa Community Center

18-21 Mar: Surburban Washington/Baltimore Show Convention Center, Balto

10-13 Jun: MARYLAND STATE NUMISTMATIC ASSOCIATION Annual Convention

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OUR MEMBER CLUBS REPORT

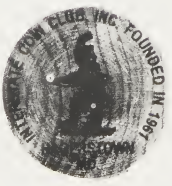
BALTIMORE COIN CLUB's Plum Wiley was pictured in the January 31st issue of the Baltimore Sun holding his boy scout uniform from the 1920's. It features merit badges that helped Plum become the youngest Eagle Scout ever. The Baltimore club officers for 1998/ 1999 will be:

Mill Hajek-President
Ed Craig - Vice Pres
Charlie Proctor- Sec
Don Kern - Treasurer

CATONSVILLE COIN CLUB will continue to meet at the Knights of Columbus Hall. At a recent meeting members told of some unusual events they had noted. Bryce Doxzon told of seeing a credit union clerk find a $50 bill with serial numbers on the wrong side and Evan Votta told of getting a 1943-S Jefferson out of a nickel slot machine at Atlantic City.

The WESTERN MARYLAND COIN CLUB reports that officers for 1997 will remain in office for another year. At their February meeting the club holds a special auction of donated materials with the proceeds going to the Heart Fund.

Below is shown the wooden nickel the INTERSTATE COIN CLUB has issued for their September show.



BALTIMORE COIN CLUB a most unusual event: for the first time in several years there was actually an election for one of the offices. As we have seen, this has not happened at most of our clubs in a long time.

The MARYLAND TAMS met at the Dundalk and Patapsco Neck Historical Society in February. The President of the Historical Society gave a presentation on the Bay Shore Park. A large number of items were on display. Each attendee received a picker's check from G. W. Merritt who once farmed the area of Soller's Point. We learned there was once a bell foundry in the area that was owned by a Mr. McShane. Dunkalk was named for his ancestral home in Ireland

WELCOME TO MEMBERSHIP

The Board of the MSNA has accepted the request for life membership from the following:

LM 34	Millard Hajek
LM 35	Harry Whitsel
LM 36	Carl Neeley
LM 37	G. Hred Miller
LM 38	Richard Posinski
LM 39	Al Marecki

The Maryland State Numismatic Association's wooden nickel for 1998. Note the enlarged shield used on this year's nickel.

Charlie Graham, a founder of the Bel Mar Coin Club, back in the 1960s, called Ernie Turnes in Mid-February to see how Bel Mar is doing. Charlie retired to North Carolina several years ago but maintains his Bel Mar membership (and his subscription to Harford County's weekly newspaper "The Aegis").

A few years ago Charlie planned a trip to Harford County so he and a friend, another early Bel Mar member, could attend a meeting. He hopes to do so again this year.

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The Education Committee of the Colonial Coin Club in Annapolis, chaired by Mr. Thad Jackson, has recently completed a series of presentations in the senior centers of Anne Arundel County.

The presentations consisted of:

1- Presentation of the ANA video "Money: History in Your Hands"

2- A question and answer session led by Mr. Jackson who was aided by other members of the club's educatinal committee

3- Examination and explanations concerning a few coins brought by several persons, at each session. Among the most interesting coins brought by members of the group was a 1788 imitation British halfpence from the state of New York in EF condition. The owner of the coin had no idea what it was or where it came from until it was researched by a member of the committee.

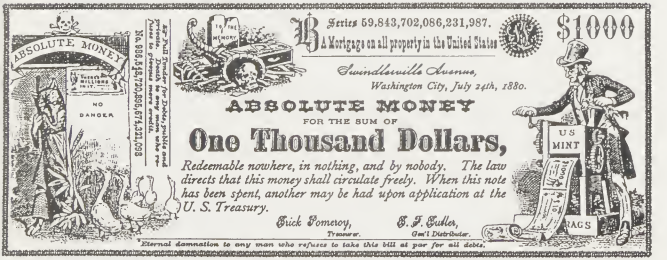
The series was so successful that another round of presentations is planned for the future.

Submitted by
Thad Jackson
Vice President
Colonial Coin Club

Bill Stratemeyer and Pete Burris present the same check to Shirley Howard on behalf of the Johns Hopkins Children's Cancer Fund.

Bill Stratemeyer presents a check to a representative of the Gallagher Services

Pete Burris observes as Bill Stratemeyer presents a check to Steve Morgan on behalf of the Baltimore Area Retarded Citizens.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Shown above is a copy of the bill utilized in making the souvenir card for 1990. It is described in detail on page 15.

BETHLEHEM STEEL ISSUES MEDALLION

The Sparrows Point, Maryland, Division of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, a fully integrated steel plant located on the Patapsco River, Twelve miles south of Baltimore, has had a medallion made featuring the Division's new symbol; a lighthouse. The 75mm (3 inch) three dimensional pewter piece also depicts steel plant facilities, products, and equipment; the near-by Francis Scott Key Bridge and other scenes in the surrounding community (a church and boats in the Patapsco River); and a Bethlehem Steel employee shaking hands with a customer.

The words CUSTOMERS/EMPLOYEES/STOCKHOLDERS/COMMUNITY each shine along a different beam of light from the top of the lighthouse. Cast engraved text on the reverse reads, in part, "A rock-solid lighthouse and its ever-faithful beacon represent our future. Bethlehem Steel's Sparrows Point Division is striving to be the reliable beacon of light and a safe harbor for our customers, employees, stockholders and communities." At the bottom of the reverse is the new symbolic lighthouse.

To get an idea of the three dimensional quality of the piece, the medal's edge is 4mm wide and the two men at the bottom center extend 4mm beyond the front of the rim.

The medallions were made to be given to cusomers and other special guests of the Sparrows Point Division & are available for purchase by employees. Each comes with it's own pewter stand. They were produced by "Bergamot, The Fine Art Foundry".

For additional information write to E. V. Turnes, Sparrows Point Div., Bethlehem Steel Corp., 5111 North Point Blvd, Sparrows Point, MD 21219.

BUTTERNUT BITES: 2#Building a Library

The old saying, "Buy the book, before you buy the coin", is a lesson in which most collectors and hobbyists wish they had heeded.

My Webster dictionary defines numismatics as; "The study and collections of coins and medals." In order for collectors to understand and appreciate a coin or currency, they must at least know what it is. The public library and Internet offer excellent information, however, you are going to want your own books, articles, and notes for reference in order to study a coin. With that reasoning, here are Six Basic resources materials a collector should possess:

1. A Guide Book of United States Coins by R. S. Yeoman. The "Red Book" has become the standard. The 1998 book is the 51st edition and the cost is under $10. It is a wealth of knowledge, and within it's pages a novice can become proficient in many, many areas of numismatics. Some areas such as colonials, it is the best source for information. A collector should buy a new one each year, and be sure to retain the previous year, as they too become collectable. In fact, a first edition now sells for over $300. It is not the best source for prices, as they tend to outdated before the book is printed. To compensate, the editors tend to inflate the prices, only to be undervalued be year end.

2. Photograde by James F. Ruddy. This book makes it easy for anyone to get a general idea as to what grade a coin is. It does not necessarily help with the condition of a coin, but it does help with a sharpness grade as to the wear of a coin. The book is designed so that you simply place a coin near the type and grade photograph that most closely resembles your coin. Then read the short narrative (also found in the "Red Book") to insure the match. It is that simple. It will not make you an expert grader, but it will give you at least a general idea as to the grade of a coin.

3. Official A.N.A. Grading Standards for United States Coins by Ken Bressett and A. Kosoff. This book will give the collector a closer standard for grading a coin than does Photograde. The book uses detailed drawings and descriptions that show the progression of wear. It lists every US coin form 1793 to present. This book is an indispensable aid to grading a coin.

4. Numismatic News & Coin World Newspapers. We are fortunate in numismatics to have two fine newspapers in which to subscribe to. Both papers are excellent. From my opinion, Numismatic News, has more articles about series and types of coins and currency, where Coin World offers more articles on current events and prices of coins. Coin World's Price "Trends" is the guide most dealers use to price their average coins. Either or both would give the collector articles concerning his/her interest in collecting. The key is to organize the article in a file for your future reference. They are inexpensive and I would recommend subscribing to one or both.

5. The Numismatist the official publication of the American Numismatic Association (ANA). Founded in 1891, and over 27,000 members, the ANA's The Numismatist is published each month and cost $5, but is sent free to it's members. Every issue has great articles and reference materials for collectors. Most collectors save them sort of like National Geographic. ANA also puts out an index every 10years to look up specifics. If you are not a member of ANA, you should be.

6. Specific Coin Type Books. Once you have identified a type or series of coin which interests you, buy the current book pertaining to the subject. As an example, if large cents are your interest, then United States Large Cents 1793-1814 by William C. Noyes, The Cent Book 1816-1839 by John D. Wright, and Attribution Guide for United States Large Cents 1840-1857 by J. R. Grellman are three essential references. It does not matter what you collect, there have been books written on it. Be sure to consider earlier works, since they too are a treasure of information.

Your thoughts and ideas are always welcomed. Address them to: Colonel Steven Ellsworth, c/o **BUTTERNUT,** Post *Office Box 498, Clifton, VIRGINIA 20124*

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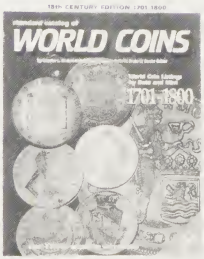

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President's Message

This past summer was very exciting for my Wife Mitzi and I. We both retired from our jobs on July 31st. We have been very busy with vacations, friends and family. Wow - when did we have time to work.

I received a very special telephone call at the end of August from Governor Parris N. Glending staff. I was asked if I would like to serve on the advisory committee to select the design for The Maryland Commemorative Quarter.

Press Release 09.01.98: Governor's Press Office --- Governor announces Commemorative Quarter Design Program. This will be the first time in history Maryland will be represented on an American Coin.

The series of coins will be issued in the order in which each State joined the Union. Maryland, the seventh state , will have its coin issued in the year 2000.

I will be one of sixteen committee members involved in the task. "I am proud and excited to be on the advisory committee for Maryland's commemorative twenty five cent design. This is a wonderful opportunity to recognize, in a distinctive and lasting manor, the important role our State played in American's history."

Plans are in motion for the M.S.N.A. show, that will be held June 10-13, 1999 at the Baltimore Convention Center. There are many details to attend too.

I want to apology to our club members. (The Maryland Numismatist) summer issue never went to press.

The Atlantic Rarities Coin Exposition May 15,16 and 17, 1998 was a success. This was possible because of so many of our club members volunteered at the show. We were able to give Silver Eagles to our volunteers, money to our local clubs and donate money to three charities. 1. John Hopkins Children Cancer Fund. 2. Baltimore Association for Retarded Citizens and 3. Gallagher Services.

The M.S.N.A. has so many special members. With all your support so much has been done. Every one of you are very special to me.

Bill Stratemeyer

Bill

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The Board of the Maryland State Numismatic Association met on Thursday, March 26th, 1998, at the Grace United Methodist Church. In attendance were:

Don Curtis - Vice Pres.	Tom Palmer-Bowie CoinC
Bryce Doxzon - Secretary	Millard Hajek -Catons.
Karl Keller - Treasurer	Pete Burris - H.C.Husk.
Ernie Turnes - Past Pres	Walt Kitner-Balto C Cl
Bill Ayres - Past Pres	Ed Craig - MD T A M S
Jack Pryor - Past Pres	Bob Ruby - APL Coin Cl

Secretary Doxzon read the minutes of the February 26th, 1998 meeting. Treasurer Keller reported the club, show & savings account balances. He also requested the paperwork necssary to continue MSNA's incorporated status.

President Stratemeyer was absent from the meeting but left a report that the speaker's dinner arrangements were made and that Scott Travers' forum topic was confirmed.

Don Curtis requested 1999 ARCE bource contracts for the dealer folders going to this year's A R C E dealers. He has also made up a dealer's survey and an early bird dealer badge.

Ernie Turnes raised a discussion on the 1999 ARCE show dates regarding holding the show on May 13-16 or June 10-13. After ascertaining that the June dates do not fall on Father's Day weekend the board voted to reserve the June dates. Dan Coker's contract for dealer table supply is in hand. Ernie also brought up an idea, suggested by Ray Dillard, of rolling half dollars or Susan B. Anthony dollars

as prizes for those attending the educational forum; the board voted to use Anthony dollars.

Tom Palmer reported that Heritage Rare Coin Galleries cannot have an auction at the ARCE this year due to the unavailability of potential auction lots. He said that 78 bourse tables had been sold, with more bourse sales to be sought at the Eastern States Numismatic Association Convention. No ARCE bourse tables got sold at the ANA early spring show in Cincinnati. Tom also reported that a dealer wants to make use of the A R C E flier mailing list and has offered to pay MSNA's postage costs for the flier mailing. No objections to the offer were declared. There was also discussion about curtailing the "stealing" of cases and lamps by dealers from other dealer's tables during setup but the possible preventive measures were judged too burdensome.

Walt Kitner reported two exhibit applications received so far. He reviewed the exhiibit prizes to be given this year and the board approved a slight revision to the exhibit prizes list for the '99 ARCE.

Jack Pryor is still exploring alternate sites for the Awards Breakfast, at which Burnett Anderson will be the speaker.It was noted that an I.D. badge maker, a photo badge maker & two exhibit cases were donated to the MSNA by Jack.

Pete Burris has trimmed the ANA stickon labels for use by Al Ciolfi at registration. He asked that the MSNA sales booth be placed close to the communications desk and he reported that Denwood Kelly is working on the souvenir sheet text and design.

Bob Ruby reviewed the show flier information for accuracy. He has 8600 mailing list names for

the flier, which will be mailed soon after the flier mailing party on April 25th.

Millard Hajek passed out samples of the Type 2 elongated design rolled on 1997 cents. Those given out at the ARCE will be rolled on 1998 cents.

Bryce Doxzon reported that will soon be sending out letters to newspapers, and radio & TV stations soliciting free listings or mention of the coin show. He will also pursue advertising in the Baltimore Sun-papers as in last year.

Ed Craig reported very good raffle ticket sales, especially at Gordon Berg's coin show. He invited MSNA to sell it's souvenirs at the next BANC show on June 21, & he gave a $100 check to MSNA as part of BANC's (Baltimore Area Numismatic Coalition) loan repayment, leaving $150. remaining on the loan.

Bill Ayres said that the post office booth at the bourse is not a certainty this year. He also re-ported that the show banner placemnt on Pratt Street is not as favorable as last year.

The MSNA board approved life memberships for Ronald Barnes, Robert Wilson and Harry Forman.

The next board meeting was set for April 23rd, 1998 at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Bryce Doxzon

Bryce Doxzon
Secretary

The Board of the Maryland State Numismatic Association met on Thursday, April 23rd, 1998, at the Grace United Methodist Church. Charles Street and Northern Parkway, in Baltlimore.In attendance were:

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Secretary Doxzon read the minutes of the March 26th, 1998 meeting. Treasurer Keller reported the club, show & savings account balances.

Bill Lenz reported the purchase of 100 A R C E phone cards by MSNA & he listed the Federal Express parcel pickup times during the show. He indicated that Ruthann Brettell will attend the show, but reported a $4,000.00 increase in the cost of the contract with the Baltimore Convention Center for use of show space for 1999. The problem needed resolving, he said. Other ARCE sites were briefly discussed. Also; someone is needed to handle distribution of extra cases and lights to dealers, this year, since Pete Burris will be unavailable; Gene Stumbroski will take on this job.

Tom Palmer reported 87 tables sold but noted that many dealers were not coming this year because the conflict with the Preakness had made hotel rooms very scarce. He mentioned that dealer, Steve

Ellsworth had bought advertising space on the show flier and he read three e-mail messages for MSNA.

Pete Burris said that the ARCE banner has been delivered for hanging over Pratt Street & that the souvenir sheets would be ready by that coming Saturday, April 25th. He requested that the cases and lights distribution be located near the communications desk.

Bill Ayres has gotten the June 10 - 13, 1999 ARCE dates into the WESTEX show calendar. He has the public registration stickers on hand & has delivered the next issue of the journal to the printer.

Ernie Turnes, reporting for the absent Walt Kitner, said that five exhibit applications for five exhibits, total, had been received. Ernie also announced that Jack and Carol Pryor were sponsoring an award for the best exhibit by a Baltimore Coin Club member.

Don Curtis will have to buy additional film for dealer badges. He has also bought Baltimore street maps for the dealer folders which will also include Graysheets and dealer surveys.

Bryce Doxzon spoke about advertising options in the Baltimore Sunpapers and the Patuxent Publishing local newspapers. Bill Lenz made addiitonal Sunpapers advertising suggestions and the board favored Washington Post advertising over Patuxent Publishing.

Bill Stratemeyer noted the high cost of the speaker's dinner and said that the nature and number of invitees would be set shortly beforehand.

Ed Craig reported brisk raffle ticket sales; he will procure the prizes.

Al Ciolfe is awiting responses from member clubs for registration desk help. Jack Pryor said that the awards breakfast will be a continental breakfast held on the top floor of the Holiday Inn.

Millard Hajek was presented with his MSNA life membership card.

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Ray Dillard assists one of our YN's roll a penny

MSNA 1997-1998 YEAR IN REVIEW

This look at the MSNA convention "year" dating from the 1997 A R C E (in August 1997) to the 1998 ARCE (in May 1998) starts with a review of the 1997 show and the taking of office by the new President, Bill Stratemeyer, the new vice president, Don Curtis and the new treasurer, Karl Keller. Chairmen's comments about the running of the 1997 A R C E were very predominantly positive but some smaller fine points were brought up for discussion and fine tuning in preparation for 1998. The 1997 ARCE finished with a very good profit enabling MSNA to distribute monies to manpower-providing member clubs within a few months of the show. MSNA was also able to increase it's charitable giving with larger donations to the Baltimore Association for Retarded Citizens, the Gallagher Center & the Johns Hopkins Childrens' Cancer Fund. Donations were also made to the American Numismatic Association.

The Asociated Coin Club's show on October 26th was the site for the M S N A fall seminar for which the speakers were Bill Stratemeyer and Sandon Cohen.

The developement of plans for the 1998 A R C E, to be held on May 15-17 was overshadowed by the conflict with the Preakness Stakes on May 16, which created a lack of available hotel spaces and a resulting dropoff in bourse dealer signups. The 1998 A R C E plans went ahead anyway with dealer lodging being aided by the use of hotel rooms near BWI Airport. Early in 1998, Heritage Rare Coin Galleries indicated an interest in having an auction with the 1998 A R C E but withdrew the idea due to lack of available lots. Concurrently, Bill Stratemeyer was in contact with dealer, Tony Pisciotta, over the possibility of joing with MSNA to hold an international paper money show, in Baltimore, in 1999.

Such plans did not come to fruition for 1999 but this issue awaits further resolution for the following years. Other ARCE planning (i.e.: exhibits, YN program, raffle)went ahead as in past years but for the addition of two new exhibit award types and for the procurement of U.S. Mint Director, Philip Diehl, and ANA Vice President, Scott Travers, as educational forum speakers. Dealer, Douglas Bird again agreed to underwrite the cost of the raffle tickets, packs of which were sent to member clubs as part of an incentive program for club ticket sales. Selby Unger offered 100 ARCE 1998 phone cards for MSNA to purchase and sell for itself;the board approved the purchase.

Apart from the ARCE planning was the development of a new promotional resource for M S N A. Through the work of Tom Palmer, MSNA set up and operated a home page on the World Wide Web via the ANA's web site. In addition, MSNA promoted the ARCE through a coin shows site on the World Wide Web. Also, the subject of custom M S N A jackets for officers and chairmen underwent serious consideration, but the matter was not resolved by the time of the 1998 ARCE.

Custodianship of the John B. Henry Collection was transferred from Willard Mumford, upon his request; Bill Ayres is updating the inventory of that material. The asociation has renewed it's sales tax exemption through September 2002 and has approved twelve new life memberships, a record number for a convention "year".

Respectfully Submitted

Bryce Doxzon

Bryce Doxzon
Secretary

MSNA Annual Meeting - May 17, 1998

The annual meeting of the Maryland State Numismatic Assoication was held on Sunday, May 17, 1998 at 2:00 pm, in room 318 of the Baltimore Convention Center. In attendance were Bill Stratemeyer, Don Curtis, Karl Keller, Bryce Doxzon, Ernie Turnes, Bill Lenz, Ed Craig, Al Ciolfe, Walt Kitner & Bill Ayres.

The year-in-review minutes were read by Bryce Doxzon. Karl Keller read the MSNA account balances. It was noted that Selby Unger has 45 of the 100, 1998 ARCE phone cards while MSNA has the remaining 55.

Don Curtis reported the dealer survey remarks and commented on some dealer registration details that could be improved for next year. Ed Craig reported the proceeds from the raffle ticket and MSNA show souvenir sales,stating that this year's raffle ticket sales were the best ever, thanks to action through member clubs and the registration desk. Al Ciolfi reported registration tallies for all three show days.Walt Kitner commented on the fine quality of exhibits but said he could always have more or them. Ernie Turnes reported that Mike Mehalick had offered his help with the inventory and researching of the John B. Henry collection and he urged everyone to jot down all ideas for improvements while they were still fresh in their minds. Bill Lenz & Bill Stratemeyer thanked all the committee chairmen for their work and cooperatioin with the 1998 ARCE. The meeting was then adjourned and door prizes were drawn.

The next MSNA board meeting was set for June 25th, 1998. Respectfully Submitted;

Bryce Doxzon

Bryce Doxzon
Secretary

IN AND AROUND OUR ANNUAL CONVENTION

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SCOTT TRAVERS
ANA Vice President

BOB RUBY and ED CRAIG

LARRY GENTILE and our
1998 YN's

Members who donated time and effort and special guests

BILL STRATEMEYER, MSNA President, addresses attendees at the awards breakfast. Walt Kitner in foreground.

DOT and MILL HAJEK

Loretta Pasko, Don Curtis
Mary Keller and Mitzi
Stratemeyer

Again, in 1998, a group of members assembled at the home of Bill and Carolyn Lenz to prepare our flyers for mailing. Front row: Bob Ruby and Dot Hajek. Back row: Carolyn Lenz, Bill Lenz, Ernie Turnes, Peg Turnes, Karl Keller, Mary Keller, Bryce Doxzon, Don Curtis Millard Majek, Tracy Taylor & Bill Stratemeyer. Bill Ayres was taking the picture.

Del Parker addresses a group on the subject of Irish coinage. The coins on the table are some beautiful examples.

MSNA/ARCE 1998 SHOW REPORT

RAFFLE REPORT

1st Drawing	$10 American Eagle Gold Coin	#-1286	Karl T. Kalvelge	Baltimore, MD
2nd Drawing	Gold British Sovereign	#-1445	Thomas Pavel	Washington, DC
3rd Drawing	$5 American Eagle Gold Coin	#-2191	Michael Zimmerman	Westminster, MD
4th Drawing	Silver Proof Eagle	#-413	G. J. Sauthoff	Fork, MD
Flyer Drawing	Mexican 2½ Peso		James Duley	Glen Burnie, MD

YN PROGRAM

The YN program was held on Saturday, from 10:00 AM to approximately 3:00 PM. This program was conducted by Larry Gentile of New Rochelle, New York. YN's in attendance were provided with lunch.

EXHIBIT AWARDS

APPRECIATION AWARD:

Ernest Turnes	Coins as Tokens of Love
Bryce Doxzon	The Dickey Mill Centennial Medal
Simcha Kuritsky	Give Me That Old Time Alphabet
Larry Gentile	Norman Rockwells - Spirit of Scouting
Michael Mahalick	Colonial Tokens of the Province of Canada

SUPERIOR AWARD:

Ray Dillard	The King and the Family

MASTER AWARD:

Millard Hajek	Historical Maryland Institute, A Medallic Display

JOHN B. HENRY - BEST OF SHOW AWARD:

Gerald Kochel	The Draped Bust Large Cents

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD:

Ernest Turnes	Coins as Tokens of Love

FIRST TIME EXHIBIT AWARD:

Ray Dillard	The King and the Family

BEST EXHIBIT BY A MEMBER OF THE BALTIMORE COIN CLUB:

Millard Hajek	Historical Maryland Institute, A Medallic Display

MD TAMS - MILLARD W. HAJEK, BEST EXONUMIA EXHIBIT AWARD:

Bryce Doxzon	The Dickey Mill Centennial Medal

YN AWARD:

Jeffery Kirby	A Type Set of Taiwanese Coins

WESTERN MARYLAND COIN CLUB reports that Betty Waingold has retired as chairman of their show. The new chairman will be Becky Weimer. The club presented a plaque to George and Betty for chairing the show for 35 years: quite a record. Not listed in the calendar are their Nov 6-7, 1999 show dates.

At the 27 April meeting the COLONIAL COIN CLUB had as their guest speaker, Mrs. Helen Erdman of Dorsey Md. Her topic was "Picker Checks of Anne Arundel County". She was raised on a farm that the state acquired in order to build BWI (Friendship) Airport. When she was a young girl she recalls seeing her grandfather issuing checks to the workers. She told stories about the people who came to work the fields; how they lived and played. She brought an album of these checks which were marked with her grandfather's "JEP". Below is Mrs. Erdman, holding the album of tokens, with Thad Jackson, the club's program director.

The Colonial Coin Club held their annual dinner meeting at the Red Lobster resturant in Annapolis, on April the 13th. Their guest speaker of the evening was Jim Ruehrmund, Secretary/Treasurer of the Virginia Numismatic

CLUB NEWS - Continued:

The officers of Baltimore Coin Club for 1998/1999 who were listed in the previous bulletin are shown above; from left to right: Mill Hajek - President; Ed Craig - Vice President; Charlie Proctor - Secretary and Don Kern - Treasurer.

Harry Whitsel, long time member of the Harford Coin Huskers and Life Member Number 35 of the Maryland State Numismatic Association died on 19 June 1998. He is sorely missed. Above he is shown in happier times with his wife, Thelma.

Association. Jim's topic was Confederate paper money. He used slides to show the different types of bills produced. Below Jim addresses the group.

On 11 April, your editor had the pleasure of attending the spring show of the Colonial Club. Below I discuss the show with Hank Shab. A small show but well worth attending.

WELCOME TO

MEMBERSHIP

The Board of the MSNA has accepted the following for Life Membership.

LM 40 Harry J. Forman

LM 41 John W. Wilson

LM 42 Ronald L. Barnes

WESTERN MARYLAND COIN CLUB reports the loss of long time member, Ken Mayes. Ken was from Ridgely, West VA.

BALTIMORE COIN CLUB reports the loss of their long time member Bob Bedford. Bob was also Charter Member Number 26 of the MSNA.

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February 12, 1998

Dear MSNA Member Club:

The Maryland State Numismatic Association is pleased to announce that it has gone on the Web! As of now, the MSNA has its own home page on the World Wide Web. With information about its annual Atlantic Rarities Coin Exposition and its member clubs, this web site will become a valuable educational and promotional tool for collectors seeking to know about Maryland numismatics. To that end, the MSNA is seeking a little help from the clubs.

If your club has its own web site, I would like for you to submit its address for linkage to the MSNA web site. Three member clubs have already done so, and I would like to include yours if possible. Please submit your club's World Wide Web site address, if available, to: MSNA Secretary, P.O. Box 6533, Baltimore, MD 21219. Thank you for your time and consideration, and I hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

Bryce F. Doxzon

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MSNA Secretary

P.S. For your individual members with web browsers, the MSNA site address is: "http://www.money.org/club_msna.html". Your comments are welcome.

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

11 Oct: BANC - Cromwell Bridge Holiday Inn

-25 Oct: Fall Show of the ASSOCIATED COIN CLUBS Victory Villa Community Center; Martin Bvld and Compass Road, Middle River

7- 8 Nov: WESTERN MARYLAND COIN CLUB's Fall Show, LaVale Fire Hall,

13-15 Nov: Surburban Baltimore/Washington Show Convention Center

10-13 Dec: Crabstate Washington Beltway

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18-19 Apr: WESTERN MARYLAND COIN CLUB's Spring show, LaVale

10-13 June: Annual Convention of the MARYLAND STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOC. (ARCE) Convention Center Baltimore.

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ASSOCIATED COIN CLUBS

13 Mar 99	24 Oct 99
12 Mar 00	29 Oct 00

PAUL FINCK
Cromwell Bridge
Holiday Inn

Nov 22 Dec 20

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BANC at the Cromwell Bridge Holiday Inn

Oct 11

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SURBURBAN WASHINGTON/ BALTIMORE SHOWS

Mar 18-21 1999

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Crabstate Shows - Lanham

Dec 10-13 1998
Dec 9-12 1999
Nov 30 - Dec 3 2000
Nov 29 - Dec 2 2001

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BUTTERNUT BITES :

#3 Creating Young Collectors

Shame on us! With the exception of a few dedicated individuals. Early American Coppers, American Numismatic Association, American Numismatic Society and all the other fine clubs and organizations do very little to seek, interest and retain young collectors. We do have a handful of young enthusiastic collectors; however, by in large, our membership, like so many other coin clubs is graying. The graying appears faster than one wishes. Take a good look in your mirror, it is happening to all of us senior collectors!

Here are some thoughts why we should all be concerned for the future of collecting. Not only will it effect our economics,it will effect an educational legacy that we must apply preserve. My thoughts reflect a bias toward copper coins, but the principle applies to all types of coins.

After attending hundreds of coin shows and talking to thousands of collectors, dealers and hobbyists, I noticed a few trends that began to emerge. First; most collectors begin collecting at a young age. Usually they begin collecting Lincoln Cents. Then they branch out and start collecting some nickels and dimes; or even a few indian cents. Then in most cases the interest ocmes to an abrupt halt when they discover perfume or gasoline!

When the two are mixed the combination has a tendency to weaken the collecting interest - as it does does for most of us! Resources spent on collectors, ages 16 through 24, need to be re-evaluated. If a collector survives those confusing years his/her interest possibly could be renewed if they are again welcomed into the fold. Hopefully, mom kept her baby's coin collection, along with the other stuff that mom's tend to save.

When the born again collectors look back to their joyous youth years - generally through a bunch of little round holes partially filled with well worn pennies, the desire is sometimes sparked once again.

The conversation usually starts with "I have this album of coins that I collected years ago and I have a few holes in it I would like to fill". What is said next will determine whether a collector is reborn or discouraged for evermore. If the viewer responds "this is a wonderful set and you should complete and approve it", the spark can again become a fire! If the response of the viewer is, however; "This is a bunch of low grade junk and I would just get rid of them as they are not worth keeping", the collector's spark is doused and with it the joy of a lifelong study and a hobby filled with tremendous satisfaction. Unfortunately the second scenario is usually repeated hundreds of times, every week, in coin shops and coin shows across America.

If the spark survives this assault, and through some miracle, is kept alive, the natural progression in copper is from a Lincoln set to a set of indians and then perhaps goind further back, deeper into the history of the United States Cents, to those elusive large cents or the "Fat Pennies" so many of us enjoy; in every grade and condition.

I do have a few thoughts on how we should address this potential demise of so many numismatists. These could be the "Seven Deadly Sins", if we as a group **do not** as a minimum, do the following:

1. Continue our junior membership programs but let's not keep it the best kept secret in all numismatics. We all need to recruit, encourage and give a

gift of m embership to any young folks who shows an interest in collecting coins. We should ensure that out web site evotes a bunch of space and lots of action to junior membership. Remember; they are used to playing "Mario in it's 39th Laser packet edition."

2. Ensure that all our officers and board members are "on board and in tune" with supporting the Youth programs of our clubs. One board member should have the sole overall responsibility for gathering and retaining our young collectors. All board members should either give, get, or get off. The last thing any volunteer organization needs are a bunch of advisors. A good word of advice is to avoid homesteading in a position and mentor your replacement. Nearly in every case in a volunteer organization longevity does not create experience: only mildew.

3. Include a free date set album with every new junior membership. As an example: it the club is orientated towards early American coppers; it should also include a 1/2 page for half cents and 1/2 page for colonials. The album should have a paper facsimile plug in the holes of 1793, 1799, 1804, 1809, 1823 and 1857. All the other years can be a challenge but each will not cost more than going to a movie, with snacks.

4. Assist and help fill the holes. That means encourage, not discourage! We should not be so quick to critize what is in their collections based on our personal preferences and standards; rather we can give suggestions to "filling the holes". Remember; they can not afford, nor do they give a hoot about pristing choice examples. Most likely their set will be dormant for 10 to 15 years from when they start college till that 2nd or 3rd job kicks in and gives them the eco-

nomic stability required to complete and possible upgrade their sets. We are planting seeds that may well grow into a Clapp, Newcomb, Brown, Robinson, Reiver or Reale.

5. Make yourself known to the local Boy and Girl Scout and youth organizations and let them know you would be more than willing to give a brief presentation on numismatics and United States cents, to include early American copper. Have a participation quiz, with a prize being a low grade co pper coin. At every club sponsored, regional and national show devote a free table to youth activities.

6. Make sure that your local coin show has a drawing for young numismatists that include an indian and early American copper coin.

7. Share your collection and information. Pictures and books are good but nothing excites kids more than the real thing. Have examples on display with coins that they can touch and hold. Let them feel the weight and view the coin. Be sure to involve the history of the coin along with the times of our country and its influence in the design of coinage.

These are only a few thoughts and suggestions to the problem. I am sure that the combines efforts of what is the quintessential group of all numismatic collectors and perhaps the most knowledgeable will have some terrific ideas. I hope so; if nothing more than from a pure greed factor. If we continue at our current rate we will have not one who has interst in or cares about our treasurered collections that we have so dearly pursued over the years.

BUTTERNUT - Continued

When that collector shows you a half filled album of worn common Lincoln cents; engage your brain before inserting your foot.

Colonel Steven Ellsworth c/o BUTTERNUT, Post Office Box # ,Clifton, Virginis 20124: e-mail: Butternut@gslink.com

EXHIBITORS HAVE MANY OPTIONS

Ernie Turnes

If you've wanted to put together an exhibit for the MSNA show but didn't know what an appropriate topic might be, consider this array of titles, just a sampling of the many award winners at the 1998 ANA summer convention :

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Roadkill

Coins of Great Britain and Canada

Buildings on United States Commemorative Half Dollars

The $2 Bill

Stock Broker and Stock Exchange Tokens and Medals

TEC Convention Badges

Cat Coins

Tokens and Currency of the United States Leper Colonies

Errors of United States 1-Cent Coinage

Midieval Islamic Gold Coins

As you can see, there are many options in assembling an exhibt. Consider putting one together for this year's MSNA show.

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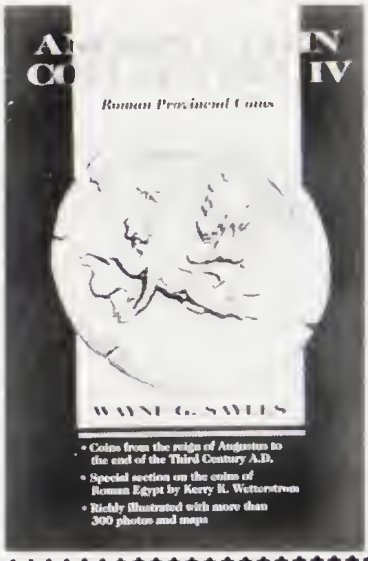
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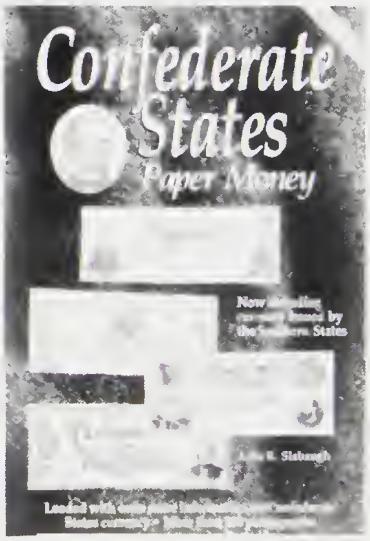

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